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Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants request consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

PART I: Compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97

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	1.	[] Th	e fee of \$180 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) is enclosed, OR
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		a.	[] each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure
			Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign Patent
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	1. The Applicants hereby certify, as specified in 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e), that:		
	1.	a.	[] each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure
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- 2. The Petition Fee of \$180 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) is enclosed.
- D. [] This Information Disclosure Statement does not comply with any of the provisions set forth above, or is being submitted after the payment of the issue fee; however, Applicants respectfully request that the Statement be placed in the above-referenced file.

PART II: 37 CFR § 1.98 Content of Information Disclosure Statement:

A. [X] Applicants hereby make of record in the above-identified application all patents, publications, applications or other information submitted for consideration by the Office listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified). The order of presentation of the patents, publications, applications or other information should not be construed as an indication of the importance. Applicants have provided a legible copy of:

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each publication or that portion which caused it to be listed;

each pending U.S. application (including the application specification including the claims and any drawing of the application, or that portion of the application which caused it to be listed including any claims directed to that portion); and

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For each patent, publication, or other information listed that is not in the English language, the following is a concise explanation of the relevance of each non-English language reference listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified):

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B. [] The Applicants hereby make the following additional information of record in the above-identified application:

PART IV: Remarks

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Notwithstanding any statements by Applicants, the Examiner is urged to form his or her own conclusions regarding the relevance of the cited materials. An early and favorable action is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

-Charles Lyon, Ph.D. Agent for Applicant

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